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Employment Relations Division

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2007
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WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Educational Conference

January 10-11, 2007

Best Western Helena Great Northern

Wednesday, January 10, 2007

SPEAKER

TOPIC

9:00 am ~ 9:10 am

John Bohlinger
Lt Governor, Montana

Welcome & Opening Remarks

9:10 am ~ 10:30 am

Duncan Ballantyne
Senior Research Analyst
Workers' Compensation Research Institute (WCRI)

**Results of the Montana
Administrative Inventory**

10:45 am ~ 11:45 am

Magda (Maggie) Karpuk
State Relations
National Council of Compensation Insurers (NCCI)

**Workers' Compensation
Medical Cost Trends—Regional
Comparisons**

Break 10:30 am ~ 10:45 am

*Lunch 11:45 am ~ 1:00 pm
(Provided)*

1:00 pm ~ 2:45 pm

Brent Veninga
Senior Consultant
Eric Anderson
Senior Project Consultant
Ingenix

Medical Fee Schedules

Break 2:45 pm ~ 3:00 pm

3:00 pm ~ 4:00 pm

Jerry Keck
Administrator
Department of Labor & Industry

**Review of 2006 Workers'
Compensation Study Project**

4:00 pm ~ 5:00 pm

Reception

Meet the Speakers

Thursday, January 11, 2007

SPEAKER

TOPIC

9:00 am ~ 9:10 am

John Bohlinger or Keith Kelly
Lt Governor, Montana

Opening Remarks & Recap

9:10 am ~ 10:15 am

David Dietz, M.D., Ph.D.
VP, National Medical Director
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

**National Trends
in Workers' Compensation**

Break 10:15 am ~ 10:30 am

10:30 am ~ 11:45 am

John F. Burton, Jr., Ph.D
Professor Emeritus
Rutgers University

**Montana 2007:
A Review of the 1972 National
Commission Recommendations**

*Lunch 11:45 am ~ 1:00 pm
(Provided)*

1:00 pm ~ 2:00 pm

Alan Colledge, M.D.
Medical Director
Utah Labor Commission

**SPICE Model —
Aggressive Treatment
Initially and Return to Work**

2:00 pm ~ 3:00 pm

Doug Benner, M.D.
Coordinator of Occupational Health,
Kaiser Permanente

**Supply Side Cost Drivers
in Workers' Compensation**

Break 3:00 pm ~ 3:20 pm

3:20 pm ~ 4:35 pm

Doug Benner, M.D.
Alan Colledge, M.D.
David Dietz, M.D., Ph.D.

**Panel on Treatment &
Utilization Guidelines**

4:35 pm ~ 4:45 pm

Jerry Keck

Closing Remarks & Wrap Up